SRI K. S. ABDUL WAHAB : In the Fourth Plan the name of Dr. Dharma Teja is mentioned in this regard. I want to know who the person is and other details?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : We need not know eervything about that gentleman. It will suffice for us to know that that gentleman has agreed to put up a plant at Ramakundam, and he has got enough funds to put through some more schemes like this.

SRI M. SUBBIAH CHETTIAR : In view of the heavy demand for electricity, will the Government consider the question of putting up thermal stations wherever necessary in the mufassal towns and also in the City of Madras?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : Our programme of thermal stations is fairly attractive. We are going to have a 340 M.W. station at Ennore. The Neyveli station is to be expanded from 400 to 600 M.W. The Kalpakkam plant will have another 400 M.W., and the Tuticorin plant will have another 250 M.W. I think the thermal power generation will be fairly satisfactory.

திரு. ஜே. பொன்னுசாமி வில்லவராயர் : காலவரையறை குறிப்பிட்டு அதை முடித்துத் தரும்படி ஏற்பாடு செய்யப்படுமா?

கனம் திரு. ஆர். வெங்கட்டராமன் : சர்க்கார் பிறகு என்ன செய்யும்? கால வரையறைக்குள் கொடுக்கக் கூடாது என்று கேட்பார்கள், என்று எனக்கு புரியவில்லை.

Cauvery water to Madras City

3-10 p.m. * 97. Q.—DR. H. V. HANDE : Will the Hon. the Minister for Food be pleased to state with reference to the answer given to Legislative Council Question No. 170 on 31st March 1964 the stage at which the matter of bringing the Cauvery Water to Madras City, for drinking purposes, now stands?

THE HON. SRI V. RAMAIAH : The matter is still under investigation.

DR. H. V. HANDE : What is the estimated cost of the project?

THE HON. SRI V. RAMAIAH : It is under investigation and so I am not in a position to give an answer.

DR. H. V. HANDE : What are the results of the investigations? Are they bright or bleak? Are there possibilities of getting water?

THE HON. SRI V. RAMAIAH : The possibility of getting water is certain. Where to locate it, and what will be the cost is now under investigation.

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Sri M. SUBBIAH CHETTIAR : Will the Government consider, when they take up the project for execution, the question of making water available free of cost to the villages in between the city and the project site?

The Hon. Sri V. RAMAIAH : All that is under investigation.

Sri G. KRISHNAMOORTHY : Wherefrom do the Government propose to draw water from the Cauvery? Is it down east of Tiruchirappalli or west of it?

The Hon. Sri V. RAMAIAH : Sir, that is exactly another point which is under investigation.

Sri K. S. ABDUL WAHAB : Sir, in view of the unaccommodating attitude of the neighbouring State relating to inter-State matters, will the Government consider the question of dropping the proposal of bringing in water from Krishna and stick to the proposal to bring water only from the Cauvery?

The Hon. Sri V. RAMAIAH : For bringing Cauvery water also, we are talking with the neighbouring State, and that will also be investigated.

Sri K. BALASUBRAMANYA AYYAR : Sir, have the Government considered the question that taking water from the Cauvery to Madras City will reduce the water available for irrigation purposes in the delta area?

The Hon. Sri M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : Sir, after all a very small volume of water would be required by the city and the hon. Member need not have any apprehensions that the irrigation interest in the delta area will be affected in any manner.

Sri S. K. SAMBANDHAN : Sir, the Hon. Minister has said that the only point, namely, from where the water is to be drawn, is under the investigation of the Government. May I know the other features of the scheme on which the Government have taken a decision?

The Hon. Sri V. RAMAIAH : Sir, the first thing to be decided is the point from where the water is to be tapped.

Sri G. KRISHNAMOORTHY : Are the Government aware that the Cauvery water is pure up to Tiruchirappalli, and we have therefore to draw water from west of Tiruchirappalli?

The Hon. Sri V. RAMAIAH : That will also be borne in mind.

Adulteration of cement

* 98 *Q.*—Sri S. K. SAMBANDHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Food be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have received any representation about adulteration of cement by traders; and